

Washington - Today, Congressman John W. Olver (D-1st District) introduced legislation that would require SUVs to meet the same fuel efficiency standards as other passenger vehicles, Olver said. "This is an essential first step in reducing our dependence on fossil fuel," Olver said. "This is an essential first step in reducing our dependence on fossil fuel."

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SUVs are currently exempt from the CAFE standards that apply to other passenger vehicles. "Not only does this legislation improve energy efficiency, it has the added benefit of helping to reduce gas prices. Gas prices are expected to reach record prices this summer. CAFE standards were put in place in 1975, but light duty trucks were put in a separate category."

[Text of John Olver's Statement](#)

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